

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant: Tong Xiao	
App. No.: 10/694,139	Con. No.: 3241
Filed: October 27, 2003	Art Unit: 2825
Title: ABSTRACTION GENERATION FOR HIERARCHICAL TIMING ANALYSIS USING IMPLICITY CONNECTIVITY GRAPH DERIVED FROM DOMAIN PROPAGATION	Examiner: Memula, Suresh

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated September 1, 2006, please consider the following remarks and amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.